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To: Flood Protection System Managers and Maintainers

Attached is a compact disc containing the Administrative Working Draft of the Flood Control System Status Report for your review and comment. We need your comments by February 11, 2010 in order to reflect them in the public draft. This Administrative Working Draft contains preliminary findings that are subject to revision, so it should not be shared outside of your agency at this time.

The Flood Control System Status Report (FCSSR) is required by California Water Code Section 9120, is one of several major deliverables of the Central Valley Flood Management Planning Program, and is a key component in the development of the 2012 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) under the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) FloodSAFE California initiative.

You and other reviewers (see Mailing List file on enclosed disc) are being provided with this preview copy as part of DWR's ongoing collaborative formulation of the CVFPP, and also because of your agency's responsibilities and expertise with regard to the status of the flood protection facilities in your area. Our goal is to ensure that the information in the FCSSR is as accurate as possible, and that it contributes constructively to development of the CVFPP and to ongoing local flood management system improvement efforts.

The recently completed State Plan of Flood Control Descriptive Document (November 2010) is a companion document to the FCSSR and describes the flood management facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. The State Plan of Flood Control Descriptive Document is on the enclosed compact disc, and can also be viewed at http://www.water.ca.gov/cvfmp.

With a few exceptions, facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control are those for which the State has provided assurances of non-federal cooperation to the federal government. The FCSSR describes how well the State Plan of Flood Control facilities are performing. This information is important as it provides the basis for completing the 2012 CVFPP, which will describe a system-wide approach to potential flood management modifications and improvements in areas currently receiving protection from the State Plan of Flood Control.

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Questions or comments are required in writing on or before February 11, 2011 and should be directed to:

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On behalf of the Central Valley Flood Planning Office, I would like to express appreciation for your part in the active local agency involvement throughout the planning process through work groups, data sharing and other meetings. This ongoing involvement has significantly contributed to effective development of the FCSSR which, along with the State Plan of Flood Control Descriptive Document, represents the first consolidated assessment of the State Plan of Flood Control.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures